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Nor is the highest end of a pursuit to be determined by egotistic judgments of its utility.

The highest end is only the product of neutral judgment which comes through development. The more neutral the judgment, the <sup>more it takes on soundness</sup> ~~more sound it is.~~  
We cannot, for example, justify religious practices on the ground that they make for comfort and happiness in this life, or that they guarantee survival after death. For if these <sup>w</sup>reards - and there is no question as to their desirability - are accepted by us as among the highest ends of religion, no virtue would accrue to any deeds we might perform in its great name. Morality must then be a matter of barter, the sacred tabernacles of religion but market places, and God only another tradesman buying up earthly sacrifices with heavenly rewards.

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